

Abstract

There is disclosed a diagnostic or prognostic assay for cancer, particularly gastrointestinal and esophageal adenocarcinoma. Specifically, the present invention provides a methylation pattern that can be assayed by standard methylation assays of CpG islands, including which genes
5 are hypermethylated and which genes are unmethylated in gastrointestinal and esophageal adenocarcinomas, Barrett's esophagus, and normal squamous mucosa.